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Garden City Housing Meeting Successful **Home Sales, Home Building, Home Repair, and Energy Efficiency Covered**

Garden City - Over 30 individuals representing lenders, realtors, economic development directors and various communities, interested in learning more about affordable housing, participated in the Garden City Housing Information Meeting. Hosted by USDA Rural Development and Finney County Economic Development Corporation, information was provided to assist individuals and families evaluate their various home financing and repair options. The meeting was held at the Community College in Garden City.

Kansas Housing Resources Corporation also contributed to the sessions. The cities of Garden City, Deerfield, and Lakin, as well as the counties of Finney, Ford, and Scott were in attendance.

"The Garden City Housing Information Meeting was a great success. I was pleased with the attendance and participation of all housing partners. USDA Rural Development is looking forward to helping area residents find programs to finance their new home, or undertake home repairs which may include the Agency's low interest loan and grant programs. Agency programs allow flexibility to assist in home financing, including more energy efficiency options," commented USDA Rural Development Area Director Justin Pike.

Individuals interested in learning more about USDA Rural Development affordable housing programs available to assist rural individuals and families should contact the Agency's Garden City office at (620) 275-0211 (extension #4).

USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs that support increasing economic opportunity and improving the quality of life of the State's rural residents. The Agency provides equity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development, and critical community and technology infrastructure in rural America. For additional information regarding all USDA Rural Development programs, contact the Agency at 785-271-2700 or visit the Agency's Kansas website at www.rurdev.usda.gov/ks.

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